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NOVEMBER 17, 1971

FOR : AMBASSADOR WATSON
FROM : HENRY A. KISSINGER

DELIVER AT OPENING OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 18, 1971

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARIS 1862 AND 1863. YOU CAN INFORM JOBERT THAT WE HOPE TO HAVE A DECISION ON TIMING OF G-10 MEETING EARLY NEXT WEEK AND WILL FLASH DECISION TO YOU AS SOON AS IT HAS BEEN MADE.

FYI: I AM MEETING WITH SECRETARY CONNALLY FRIDAY WITH THE VIEW TOWARDS OBTAINING EARLY DECISION ON G-10 MEETING AND TO DISCUSS RESOLUTION OF RELATED ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

I HOPE POMPIDOU WILL AUTHORIZE US TO PROCEED WITH THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AZORES MEETING WHEN REQUIRED AND THAT HE IS NOT MAKING AGREEMENT CONDITIONAL UPON NOVEMBER 30 G-10 MEETING IN ROME. PLEASE ADVISE BY RETURN MESSAGE IF G-10 MEETING APPEARS TO BE A CONDITION FOR MEETING IN AZORES. DO NOT ASK FRENCH THIS QUESTION BUT GIVE ME YOUR PERSONAL VIEW. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU SHOULD ADVISE JOBERT AS INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE.

WARM REGARDS.
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